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Responsive to the action mailed September 19. 2002, applicant elects the invention of Group 3 (claims 1-7, 12, and 28). The election is made without traverse.

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